

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: )  
JOHN H. KIEKHAEFER ) Group Art Unit: 2876  
SERIAL NO.: Not Assigned )  
FILED: December 15, 2003 ) Examiner: J. Fureman  
FOR: TRANSPARENT/TRANSLUCENT )  
FINANCIAL TRANSACTION CARD )

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

In advance of the first Office Action and for purposes of calculating the filing fee, Applicant requests amendment of the subject application, as follows: